24 mRNA, to a dignified woman MATRON. Anagram: (MRNA TO)*

26 Kind of ally TOT. False example: TOTally

27 ... → f → e → l → i → f → e → l → i → ... LIFE CYCLE. Rebus

30 EFGHIJKLMN ETON. Rebus: E to N

31 Made no effort to be quiet in bed MOANED. Anagram: (MADE NO)*

34 raw fo doG SERA. Reversal: (ARES)<

35 A breather during gym class PLUNGE. Container: P(LUNG)E

36 Tried a, ah, dog HAD A GO. Anagram: (A AH DOG)*

Across

1 Plac_sedia in we_sit_s or _ocument_ EMBEDS. Fill-in-the-blank

7 What Reagan might be called if Apple sold him IRON. Pun: iRon

11 Cry out in pain YELLOW. Charade: YELL + OW

12 Head northeast GONE. Charade: GO + NE

13 An 4d permit ENABLE. Anagram: (AN ELBE)*

14 (eraepsehS) _____ fo draB ehT NOVA. Reversal: (AVON)<

15 Take-home pay, to a trawler NET PROFIT. Pun

17 Exclamation in the middle of unpacking ACK. Selection: [unp]ACK[ing]

19 A tired crank might go on one TRADE. Anagram: (A TIRED)*

20 Rich Bel Air, every so often I HEAR. Alternation: rIch

23 Tight-fitting ____ (DNA that shows off your waist) GENES. Homophone: "jeans"

Down

1 See from both sides EYE. Palindrome

2 Unending list of options MEN. Curtailment: MEN[u]

3 _____ 🍊 for 🍰 BLANKET FORT. Rebus: BLANK + ET + FOR + T

4 River in Heidelberg ELBE. Hidden: heidELBErg

5 One needing to be told twice DOLT. Anagram: (TOLD)*

6 R laughed, but... SWEPT. Pun: S wept

7 Region to pass over IGNORE. Anagram: (REGION)*

8 Installing one might be an afternoon project ROOF ANTENNA. Anagram: (AN AFTERNOON)*

9 Filmed one divo ON VIDEO. Anagram: (ONE DIVO)*

10 Most unlike teens at a party NEATEST. Anagram: (TEENS AT)*

16 Incomplete Latvian city RIG. Curtailment: RIG[a]

17 Melissa of Drifting AIMLESS. Anagram: (MELISSA)*

18 East Ithaca beverage CHAI TEA. Anagram: (E + ITHACA)*

21 Places a saner football fan might avoid ARENAS. Anagram: (A SANER)*

22 What a Brit might exclaim when upside down ROC. Reversal: (CR)<

25 New York speed trap stat. NYMPH. Charade: NY + MPH

28 Drink with 0 alc. COLA. Anagram: (O + ALC)*

29 Dual honor LAUD. Anagram: (DUAL)*

32 Forr examplee, abbreviated EGG. Mimic

33 Ode to God in Latin DEO. Anagram: (DEO)*